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GOOD NEWS: WE'RE NUMBER ONE!!!

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In the recent national competition for Title VI grants from the U.S. Department of Education, U.C. Berkeley's Center for Slavic and East European Studies was ranked first in both the Centers and the Fellowships categories for the Russian-Soviet and East European area.

The competition was for a new, three-year cycle of federal funding which supports a broad range of activities, including teaching appointments in Slavic and East European languages and area studies, library acquisitions and staffing, travel grants, conferences, films, lectures, and public and teacher outreach programs, as well as fellowships for Slavic and East European language study.

With this issue, the Center's Newsletter ceases publication until the beginning of the fall semester. We would like to thank all our friends for their helpful comments and kind words about the Newsletter during the past year, and to remind you to keep us informed of address changes.

The 1984-85 academic year has been a full and rewarding one at the Center where, as you probably have noticed, activities have been rapidly expanding. This year saw the full implementation of two new programs that will have a major impact on Slavic and East European studies at UC Berkeley: the Mellon Program, funded by a \$500,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and directed by the Center Chair, Professor Gail W. Lapidus; and, the Berkeley-Stanford Program on Soviet International Behavior, funded by a \$1,000,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation and directed at Berkeley by the Chair of the Center's Executive Committee, Professor George W. Breslauer. The latter program has been further enhanced by a major grant, awarded this March by the Carnegie Corporation, for support of a new research project to study Soviet foreign policy toward nations in Africa, the Mideast, East Asia and Latin America.

At the same time, the Center's state-funded support for research, library, and administrative and clerical services continued to grow, as did our ability to handle these services, thanks to Tracy Wilborn, who joined our staff last summer, and to two recently acquired IBM PC/XT's, "Cyril" and "Methodius," that complement our existing UNIX system. Finally, having received the largest Title VI grant in our history (now exceeded by the 1985-86 grant), we were kept busy with more federally-funded activities than ever.

Next year promises to be just as exciting, with new programs, additional staff, and an expansion of Center office space in Stephens Hall. We look forward to welcoming you to the new Center premises then, and encourage you to participate in our 1985-86 programs and to help us plan for them by giving us your suggestions for speakers, activities, and services that you would find interesting and useful.

MORE GOOD NEWS! Congratulations to our regular Newsletter Editor, Judith Clark-Stanley, and to her husband Bill, on the birth of their first child, John Oliver, on April 19, 1985. We all commend Judy on this and her other excellent contributions to Center expansion this year!

FELLOWSHIPS: EVEN MORE GOOD NEWS!

Results from a number of fellowship competitions have not yet been finalized. We report below on the information available at the time we went to press, and expect to report other awards in our first fall Newsletter.

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship. The Center takes great pleasure in announcing the award of the Center's 1985-86 Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship to PETER HAUSLOHNER, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Yale University. Professor Hauslohner, who will spend September and October in the USSR on the IREX exchange program, will be in residence in Berkeley from November 1985 through June 1986. He will be working on a book-length study based on his dissertation, "Managing the Labor Market: Workers and Public Policy in the USSR." He will give several talks on his research and be available for meetings with interested students and faculty.

Mellon Dissertation Fellowships. The Center has announced the award of four Mellon Dissertation Fellowships for Ph.D. candidates in Slavic-area programs at UC Berkeley, 1985-86. The fellowship recipients and the working titles of their dissertations are: LAURIE BERNSTEIN (History), "Sonia's Daughters: Prostitution and Society in Turn-of-the-Century Russia"; LENORE CARLSON (Slavic), "A Contrastive Analysis of Verbs of Motion in Russian and Polish"; VERONICA KUN (Energy and Resources Group), "The Effects of the Hungarian Economic Reforms on Energy Demand Management"; and RICHARD MILLER (Slavic), "Symbolic Narrative in Pasternak's Prose."

Other Mellon Fellowships. The Center has awarded three-year Mellon fellowships to two students who will begin their studies at UC Berkeley next fall in the Department of Political Science: ARISTA CIRTAUTAS, B.A. and M.A. in History, University of Washington, and STEPHEN HANSON, B.A. in Social Studies, Harvard University. A Mellon fellowship for support of summer language study has been awarded by the Center to DAVID WOLFF (History).

Rockefeller Fellowships. The Berkeley-Stanford Program on Soviet International Behavior has awarded an incoming graduate student fellowship to MARTIN BERN, B.A. in Political Science, Harvard University. Rockefeller fellowships for support of language study during Summer 1985 have been awarded to the following graduate students in UC Berkeley's Department of Political Science: ANDREW CARPENDALE, RUSSELL FAEGES, JAMES GOLDGEIER, ANDREW KEEN (incoming), and JEFFREY KOPSTEIN.

Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS). FLAS fellowships are supported by a Title VI grant to the Center from the U.S. Department of Education. At the time the Newsletter went to press, FLAS awards for the 1985-86 academic year had been made to the following students: ANDREA ALTSCHULER (Sociology), ROBERT ARGENTBRIGHT (Geography), MARTHA BOERSCH (Law), JOHN CLARK (Political Science), CELIA LECKEY (Slavic), JANET REINECK (Anthropology), STEVEN STOLTENBERG (Sociology), and GLENNYS YOUNG (History). FLAS fellowships for language study during Summer 1985 have been awarded to: DOUGLAS CONAWAY (Law), CATHERINE EVTUHOV (History), LOSS GLAZIER (Library & Information Studies), WALES MACK (Political Science), MARY PEABODY (Slavic), and STEVEN STOLTENBERG (Sociology).

More Congratulations:

- To ALICE FREIFELD (History), recipient of a Dissertation Fellowship in East European Studies from the Joint Committee on Eastern Europe of the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) and the Social Science Research Council (SSRC). Alice will continue work on her dissertation, "The Festive Facade of Liberal Hungary."
- To JOANN GOVEN (Political Science), who was awarded a Fellowship for Graduate Training in East European Studies from the Joint Committee on Eastern Europe of the ACLS/SSRC. Joann will study in Hungary this summer, and continue her graduate work at UC Berkeley next year.

More Congratulations, continued:

- To KENT OSBAND (Economics), who will spend next year at the Russian Research Center, Harvard University, on a Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship.
- To STEPHEN POPPER (Economics), who was awarded a Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship by the Center for Russian and East European Studies, Stanford University.
- To ANDREW WACHTEL (Slavic), recipient of a three-year Junior Fellowship from Harvard University's Society of Fellows. Andrew will be working primarily on his dissertation, "The Russian Pseudo-Biography," and on various translation projects.
- To ROBERT WEINBERG (History), who has received a Humanities Graduate Research Grant from UC Berkeley's Graduate Division. Bob will be doing research in Paris this summer for his dissertation on the Revolution of 1905 in Odessa.

FALL 1985: COURSES OFFERED BY VISITING FACULTY

History 285/280. "Soviet Society: History and Interpretations, 1917-1953." This graduate seminar, which is tentatively scheduled for 2-4 p.m. on Wednesdays, will be taught by KENDALL BAILES, Professor of History, UC Irvine. The course is designed to familiarize students with the major themes and problems of Soviet history and with the relevant literature and sources. Although the History Department is offering it as either a 280 (proseminar) or a 285 (research seminar), the course is primarily intended to be a proseminar; students wishing to take it as a 285 must make special arrangements with the instructor. Graduate students in fields other than history are eligible to take the course as a 280. A reading knowledge of Russian is strongly recommended, but not required.

Political Science 229B. "Conflicts and Patterns of Conflict Between the USSR and Other Communist States." Offered by Visiting Professor JACQUES LEVESQUE (University of Quebec), this graduate seminar is scheduled for 12-2 p.m. on Wednesdays in 791 Barrows. Seminar participants will examine conflicts between the USSR and eight other Marxist-Leninist states: Yugoslavia, Poland, Hungary, Albania, China, Romania, Cuba and Czechoslovakia. Each of these cases will be considered in historical and comparative perspective in an attempt to determine basic similarities and differences in the causes of the conflicts as well as in the means employed by the protagonists at political, ideological, economic and military levels. The seminar will be open to selected advanced undergraduates with consent of the instructor.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

UC Berkeley is offering 10-week courses in INTENSIVE ELEMENTARY RUSSIAN (Slavic 10) and INTENSIVE INTERMEDIATE RUSSIAN (Slavic 20), June 10-August 17. For information and forms, call or write: Summer Sessions Office, 22 Wheeler Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720 (415-642-5611).

Stanford University will offer a workshop, THE SOVIET UNION: RUT, REFORM OR REVOLT?, from August 11-18. Tuition discounts are available for teachers, as is continuing education credit. For information and forms, call or write: Stanford Summer College, Bowman Alumni House, Stanford, CA 94305 (415-497-2021).

CALL FOR PAPERS

Proposals are invited for panels and individual papers to be presented at the Western Slavic Conference in Portland, Oregon, March 25-27, 1986. Proposals should be submitted by June 1, 1985, to: Professor Basil Dmytryshyn, Department of History, Portland State University, Portland, OR 97207.

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